

# St. Agnes Catholic Community

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Diverse  
Inclusive Jesuit



## Liturgy Schedule

Sunday: 8:30am	Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm
10:30am	Weekdays: 8:30am
6:00pm	Holy Days: 8:30am & 5:30pm

## Mission Statement

### We the people of Saint Agnes are:

an inclusive urban community, rich in diversity of age, ethnicity, gender, orientation, culture, talent, & treasure; a faith community, enlivened and empowered through Baptism to celebrate and proclaim the presence of Christ among us.

### We declare to one and all that we commit ourselves to:

grow spiritually as disciples of Christ to become men and women for others build community through hospitality, ecumenism and social & cultural events understand cultural differences and accept them as sources of enrichment give loving service & outreach to those in need promote social justice issues in our neighborhood and in the larger community of city, nation, and world.

We pledge ourselves to be a light in the darkness through the love that we share in the name of Christ and through the power and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

## November 25 & 26, 2017

Dear Parishioners,

I just finished a brief time away. I Presided at a beautiful wedding in St. Helena and then took four days off at Jesuit High in Sacramento. The Jesuits were very gracious hosts.

Last week you received Natalie Terry's bulletin letter. She certainly has accomplished a great deal in the brief time she has been with us and she will be very difficult to replace. We wish her God's speed in her new calling at Faith in Action.

Continuing Rolheiser's Ten Commandments of Mercy:

### *3. Remember that we all stand forever in need of mercy.*

There is more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who converts than over ninety-nine righteous persons. Does God love sinners more than the righteous? There are no righteous persons. It is rather that we feel God's love more when we admit that we're sinners. None of us ever measure up. But as St. Paul so consolingly teaches, the whole point is that we don't have to measure up. That's what mercy means. It's underserved by definition.

### *4. Remember that, having received mercy, we must show mercy to others.*

We only receive and appropriate God's mercy and the mercy of others when we extend that same mercy to others. Mercy has to flow through us. If we don't extend it to others we become self-indulgent and too harsh on others.

Lately I have been struck by how kind people have been to me with my mobility struggles. Small things like my Jesuit brothers picking up my food plate and putting it in the dishwasher so I will save a few steps has really made an impression. It makes me want to do something for others. When the love and mercy of others reaches out to us it cannot help but transform us. This is God's Spirit at work.

*Raymond Allender, S.J.*

# Parish Information

## Parish Staff & Ministries

<b>Pastor</b>	Fr. Ray Allender, S.J.
<b>Associate Pastor</b>	Fr. Joe Specht, S.J.
<b>Priest in Residence</b>	Fr. Joe Spieler, S.J.
<b>Director of Liturgy &amp; Music</b>	Frank Uranich
<b>Director of Operations &amp; Admin.</b>	Maureen Beckman
<b>Director of Children's Faith Formation &amp; Ignatian Spiritual Life Center</b>	Natalie Terry
<b>Administrative Assistant</b>	Marco Matute
<b>Bookkeeper</b>	Cathy Collins
<b>Sexton</b>	Mario Hernandez
<b>Cantor</b>	Scott Grinthal
<b>Sacristans</b>	Frank Mitchell, Matthew Tominaga, Teri Bradshaw
<b>Altar Linens &amp; Vessels</b>	Nita Zarilla
<b>Consolation Ministry</b>	Naomi Mayer
<b>Finance Committee Chair</b>	Chris Roman
<b>Food Pantry Director</b>	Stacey Shaffer
<b>Funeral Ministry</b>	Jim Connor
<b>Gabriel Project</b>	Mary Alba
<b>Ignatian Spirituality Ministry</b>	Barbara Nelson
<b>Legion of Mary</b>	Felina Lapuz
<b>Wedding Coordinator</b>	Rita Clunies-Ross
<b>Marriage Prep Classes</b>	Regina Lathrop & Bob Boguski
<b>Peanut Butter Brigade</b>	Marjorie Miles
<b>R.C.I.A.</b>	Clay Tominaga, Cathy Collins
<b>Rita da Cascia</b>	Cathy Collins
<b>Young Adult</b>	<a href="mailto:YoungAdults@SaintAgnesSF.com">YoungAdults@SaintAgnesSF.com</a>

## Nov. 25 & 26 – Christ the King

*For your prayerful consideration,  
readings for next week:*

**Isaiah 63.16b-17 •  
1 Corinthians 13.9 • Mark 13.33-37**

Date	Intention	Presider
<b>Nov. 25</b> 4:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Joe Spieler
<b>Nov. 26</b> 8:30 AM	Mima Herrera (D)	Fr. Joe Specht
<b>10:30 AM</b>	Bill Zarilla (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
<b>6:00 PM</b>	Maria de la Luz (D)	Fr. Kevin O'Brien
<b>Nov. 27</b> 8:30 AM	Virginia Snyder (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
<b>Nov. 28</b> 8:30 AM	Melgarejo Family (L)	Fr. Joe Specht
<b>Nov. 29</b> 8:30 AM	Margaret Walsh (L)	Fr. Ray Allender
<b>Nov. 30</b> 8:30 AM	Andrea Belarde (L)	Fr. Joe Spieler
<b>Dec. 1</b> 8:30 AM	Kate Sedgwick (L)	Fr. Joe Specht
<b>Dec. 2</b> 4:00 PM	Helen Rosario (L)	Fr. Tom Whelan
<b>Dec. 3</b> 8:30 AM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Joe Specht
<b>10:30 AM</b>	Phyllis Clausen (L)	Fr. Ray Allender
<b>6:00 PM</b>	Chris Rodgers (L)	Fr. Ray Allender

D = Deceased; L = Living

## New Parishioners

You are Home! Welcome to a great parish community! Please fill out a registration form found at the entrances to the church or stop by the rectory to add your name to our mailing list. We invite you to support Saint Agnes generously and to participate in the various programs that are offered here and through the Spiritual Life Center. All are welcome!

## Sacraments

Please contact the Parish Office for information about the following: Anointing of the Sick \* Baptism \* Children's Faith Formation & Liturgy of the Word \* Communion for the Homebound \* Marriage \* Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

## Children's Care during Liturgy

Care is provided for children 18 months through 5 years of age during the Sunday 10:30 AM Mass. Our Daycare Room is located across from the daily mass chapel and is open for all Masses. Parents with children under 18 months are welcome to use the daycare room as long as at least one parent stays with the child.

## Ignatian Spiritual Life Center

The Spiritual Life Center (1611 Oak Street) provides programs and services to the parish and larger faith community through educational programs, opportunities for prayer, and community events. It houses a library, book center, garden, and chapel. Visit [www.IgnatianSpiritualLifeCenter.org](http://www.IgnatianSpiritualLifeCenter.org).

## Reconciliation Schedule

Saturdays • 3pm – 3:45pm or by appointment

## Parish Office Hours

Monday – Friday: 9am to 4:30pm

(Closed Noon-1pm for lunch)

Phone: 415-487-8560

Fax: 415-487-8575

## St. Agnes Stewardship

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, the deadline for submission for the bulletin was too early for us to get the Collection amounts in this week.



## COMING SOON TO THE IGNATIAN SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER

1611 Oak Street

To RSVP for ISLC events contact Natalie Terry at [Natalie@SaintAgnesSF.com](mailto:Natalie@SaintAgnesSF.com) or 415-487-8560 x225.

ISLC Office Hours: please call for an appointment

### Pope Francis' November Prayer Intention

*"Christians in Asia"*

*"That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions."*

### Prophetic Leadership:

Women Shaping the Catholic Social Tradition

2017 Keynote Address

by Eileen Markey, Author of

*Radical Faith: The Assassination of Sister Maura*

Thursday, November 30, 5:30-7pm in Xavier Auditorium,

Fromm Hall, University of San Francisco

An annual event sponsored by the Joan and Ralph Lane Center for Catholic Studies and Social Thought at the University of San

Francisco and the Ignatian Spiritual Life Center at St. Agnes Catholic Church

This annual event honors the memory of Sr. Dorothy Kazel, O.S.U., Sr. Ita Ford, M.M., Sr. Maura Clarke, M.M., and lay missionary, Jean Donovan--four Catholic women murdered on December 2, 1980 in El Salvador. By exercising an uncompromising commitment to the poor during the Salvadoran civil war, these women embody a radical commitment to faith and social justice. This series commemorates their witness and lifts up the Catholic sisters and lay women who continue to shape the Catholic social tradition.

The keynote will include a panel of women religious who will discuss the meaning of accompaniment in their ministry. Panelists include Sister Peggy O'Neill, S.C. director of Center for Art and Peace in Suchitoto, El Salvador and Sister Cecilia Lopez Arias, M.E., Migrant Aid Coordinator for the Kino Border Initiative, Nogales, Mexico and Arizona.

### Advent Day of Preparation

Saturday, December 16, 10:00am - 1:00pm

Give yourself the gift of quiet prayer and companionship to prepare for God's indwelling. Join Christine Rodgers and Rosemary Robinson on Saturday, December 16, 2017 at the Ignatian Spiritual Life Center from 10:00am - 1:00pm.



## Feast of Immaculate Conception

Masses for the Feast Day will be **Friday, December 8 at 8:30am and 5:30pm**. Parking will be **valet only** at the **8:30am** Mass (Urban School is having an event that day). For the **5:30pm** Mass we will have regular parking in the **green and white spaces** and **green and yellow** on the lower level of the garage.

## Communal Reconciliation Service

In preparation for Christmas, Saint Agnes will host a Reconciliation Service on **Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 11am**. During the service the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated.

## Christmas Sing-Along



**Wednesday December 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm** will be our annual Sing-Along. Goodies will be provided. We will sing both religious and seasonal carols and songs, so bring a friend and bring your singing voices. All are welcome!

## Holy Yoga Advent Series

Mondays, 7:00 - 8:00pm

Holy Yoga will spend the seven weeks leading up to Christmas meditating on the seven names of God used in the O Antiphons (a set of prayers the church has been using since the 6th century!) These are the prayers that inspired the verses of the song *O Come O Come Emmanuel* and they each represent our deepest needs and longings as people. Join us at the ISLC each week for a heart, soul, mind, body meditation.

## Children's Christmas Choir



Rehearsals for the Children's choir in preparation for the 5:00 pm Christmas Eve Eucharistic Liturgy will start on **Sunday, Nov. 26 - through Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>**. Rehearsals are on Sundays after 10:30am Mass. **All children are welcome** to participate, and they don't need to be able to read music. Parents are asked to be in the Church while rehearsal is going on.

## Peanut Butter Brigade

The PB Brigade is always looking for volunteers to help make PB&J sandwiches and assemble the bags that will be handed out to the hungry in our neighborhood. Sandwich making experience not required, all ages welcome! If you want to help, just show up! We will meet in the St. Francis Room (across from the small chapel) after the 10:30 am Mass on these dates: **Dec. 3, Jan. 7, Feb. 4, and Mar. 4**.

AAA 2017

Help us Reach our Goal by Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>!

**Raised: \$46,575**

**Goal: \$69,583**

**To Our Goal: \$23,008**

Thanks to all those who have already donated and to those who will donate to help us reach our goal! We need YOU!



## ONGOING AT THE IGNATIAN SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER



### Tuesday Morning Mindfulness 9am - 10am

Are you feeling worried and stressed out? You will experience a peaceful start to your day as you join us at the ISLC for 9 AM Tuesday Morning Mindfulness where using music, poetry & spiritual reading we will meditate together, hold the prayers of our community and enjoy the gift of our presence to one another.

### Thursday Morning Faith Sharing 9am - 10am

Each week, participants have the opportunity to reflect on how and where God has been working in their lives and the world and to share their insights with others in a safe and respected space. The morning begins with prayer, and then moves into silence and then into discussion.

### Book Club

If you enjoy lively discussion over a glass of wine and tasty snacks, come join us! The Book Club meets monthly (Sept. - June) the last Friday of the month from 7:00 - 9:00pm. (please note there is no meeting of the book club in November and **parking will NOT be available in the garage** on Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>)

### *Working Stiff*



By Judy Melinek

Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm

### Young Adult Ministry

The young adult group meets once a month in the Ignatian Spiritual Life Center. Check back next week for information on our next meeting. To receive Our emails, contact: [YoungAdults@SaintAgnesSF.com](mailto:YoungAdults@SaintAgnesSF.com).

## Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, Our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
And ascended into heaven,  
And is seated at the right hand of God,  
the Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the  
living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church;  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting. Amen.

## Stewardship Prayer

Lord and source of all gifts, I rejoice in the fullness of your generosity. I thank you for those whose lives are visible signs of your love and blessing to others. Give me the courage to do the same. Make me a good steward of all I have received generously sharing my time, abilities and material resources to build up your kingdom of love and justice. We ask this through Jesus Christ, in whom we begin and end all things. Amen.

## Prayer of St. Francis

*(Prayer for Peace)*

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;  
where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
where there is injury, pardon;  
where there is doubt, faith;  
where there is despair, hope;  
where there is darkness, light;  
and where there is sadness, joy.  
O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek  
to be consoled as to console;  
to be understood, as to understand;  
to be loved, as to love; for it is in giving that we  
receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and  
it is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life. Amen